



Dear Parents,  
In our third topic for this academic year, the children will be learning all about different types of animals and their habitats. Please support your child's learning journey by talking to them about their learning. Have fun!

### **Wow Event:**

- ❖ Trip to a farm

### **Topic Outcome:**

- ❖ Understand that information can be found in non-fiction texts and online
- ❖ Know and recognise the similarities and differences between people, animals and places

### **As readers, we will:**

- Enjoy a variety of stories from different backgrounds and in different styles
- Look at rhythm, rhyme and alliteration in the stories we read
- Learn new letter sounds and tricky words for reading and writing
- Use non-fiction books to find information

### **As writers, we will:**

- Write facts about animals making our own non-fiction book
- Re-write part of a story in talk for writing
- Continue to develop correct letter formation

## **Stripy, Spotty, Fuzzy and Furry!**



### **As communicators, we will:**

- Discuss our ideas, explaining what we think and why
- Learn to express ourselves effectively, showing awareness of the listeners' needs

### **As individuals and friends, we will:**

- Play cooperatively, taking turns with others
- Take into account one another's ideas

### **As mathematicians, we will:**

- Continue to practise our counting, addition and subtraction skills. We will also partition sets of objects in a practical context and begin learning to double and halve numbers
- Begin to identify the properties of common 3D shapes and know their names
- Continue learning about time; recognizing seasons, months and units of time such as seconds, minutes, hours, days, months etc.

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### **Children's ideas:**

Please talk with your child about the topic and find out what they are interested in learning about. Write down any exciting ideas and send them to the class teacher.

### **As artists/designers, we will:**

- ❖ Create artwork inspired by the stories we read and the different animal habitats we learn about
- ❖ Experiment with different media, materials and textures

### **As geographers, we will:**

- Learn about the continents
- Learn about the different types of habitats, their features and where they can be found

### **As musicians, we will:**

- Learn songs about animals
- Continue to play with sounds and percussion instruments

### **As healthy movers, we will:**

- Learn to move over, under and around obstacles safely
- Understand the importance of exercise and a healthy lifestyle for good health